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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE International Trade Administration [A-570-831]

Fresh Garlic from the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for Partial Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On December 28, 2010, the Department of Commerce (Department) published a notice of initiation of an administrative review of fresh garlic from the People's Republic of China covering the period November 1, 2009, through October 31, 2010. See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part, 75 FR 81565 (December 28, 2010). On July 15, 2011, the Department published a notice in Federal Register that extended the time limit to issue the preliminary results by 100 days. See Fresh Garlic from the People's Republic of China: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 76 FR 41795 (July 15, 2011). On October 20, 2011, the Department issued partial preliminary results covering the PRC-wide entity which included seven companies on which a review was initiated, and fourteen companies that certified no shipments. See Fresh Garlic from the People's Republic of China: Partial Preliminary Results, Rescission of, and Intent to Rescind, in part, the 2009-2010 Administrative Review, 76 FR 65172 (October 20, 2011) (First Partial

<u>Preliminary Results</u>). The partial preliminary results covering seven companies on which the review was initiated but who were not covered by the <u>First Partial Preliminary Results</u> are currently due no later than November 10, 2011.

Extension of Time Limit for Partial Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department to issue its preliminary results in an administrative review of an antidumping duty order within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of the order for which the administrative review was requested. However, if the Department determines that it is not practicable to complete the review within the aforementioned specified time limits, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2) allow the Department to extend the time limit for the preliminary results to a maximum of 365 days after the last day of the anniversary month.

Pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), the Department determines that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results for the remaining companies covered by this review within the current time limit. Specifically, the Department requires additional time to analyze supplemental questionnaire responses, and to evaluate the most appropriate surrogate values to use in this segment of the proceeding. Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department has decided to extend the time limit for the preliminary results from 345 days to 365 days. The preliminary results for the remaining seven companies will now be due no later than November 30, 2011. Unless extended, the final results continue to be due no later than 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(3)(A) and 777(i)(1)
of the Act.
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